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- Amendment After Final Rejection, with Claim Sheet.



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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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Appln. No.: 09/497,359

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Filing Date: February 3, 2000

Examiner: T. Tran

Title: ELEVATOR STRUCTURE MOUNTING SYSTEM HAVING HORIZONTAL  
COMPRESSION MEMBER FOR REDUCING BUILDING LOADS AT TOP  
OF HOISTWAY

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

In response to the final Office Action dated April 16, 2002, Applicants request  
entry and consideration of the following amendments to the above-identified application:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1, 11, 14, 17 and 20, as shown on the appended Claim Sheet,  
to read as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) An elevator system comprising:  
an elevator assembly disposed within a hoistway and suspended by elevator ropes  
having ends suspended with respect to a pair of rigid structures affixed to opposing walls  
of the hoistway; and  
a compression member positioned between said rigid structures in such a manner  
so as to counter resultant forces applied to said rigid structures due to a vertical load.

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